

Sun 31st Dec 1st Sunday of Christmas

10.00am Holy Communion
8.00pm onwards - New Years Eve celebrations in church

Mon 1st January

Tuesday 2nd Jan

8.30 am Morning prayer at St Benedicts

Weds 3rd Jan

9.00am Said Morning prayer
10.00am Holy Communion
11.30 St Benedict's Cafe

Thurs 4th Jan

8.30am Said morning prayer
2pm-3.30pm Craft & Coffee
7.30pm Said Eucharist

Fri 5th Jan

Sat 6th Jan The Epiphany

Sun 7th Jan

10.00am Holy Communion
6.30pm Service of Prayer & Healing
"Reflecting upon the Epiphany"

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31st December 2017

1st Sunday of Christmas

A warm welcome to our services at St Benedict's from the Ministry team, church officers and the entire congregation, especially if this is your first time with us. Please do join us if you can, for a coffee or tea and biscuits following the main Sunday morning service.

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Sides people : Richard & Linda Warr
Readers: Joy Brown, Norman Critchlow
Intercessions: David Bull
Offertory: Geoff & Brenda Clarke
Chalice: David Bull, Catherine Galvin
Counting: Keith Mesdag, Geoffrey Brown
Coffee: Bill & Hazel Christie
Servers: Ken Fitzhugh, Anne England
Jnr church: TBC
Church Cleaning: Trish , Onyi

7th Jan The Epiphany

David & Gwen Bull
Debbie Bartlett, Sue Wilson
Catherine Galvin
Ola Arawola, Keith Hellewell
Chris Newton, Mary Roach
David Bull, Richard Warr
Pam Garrett, Dorothy Simms
Catherine Galvin, Nigel Evans,
Connie, Anne E,
Julie & Eileen

A timeless message

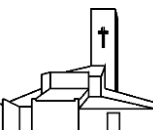
Television is not really our thing as a family over the holiday season but there are notable exceptions on Christmas Day itself. The Dr Who special is a must (other than for me who finds it too scary. I blame being traumatised by the Daleks as a small child!), and I watched "Call the midwife" in solitary splendour with a box of tissues at the ready. The one programme that we all gather to watch is the Queen's Speech. This year's contained some lovely touches of self-deprecating humour and as has become common in recent years an affirmation of the importance that faith in Jesus Christ plays in the Queen's own life. As we approach another New Year in darkening times may I wish you the same faith in the One whose light never fails to shine in the darkness and who is "The same, yesterday, today and tomorrow." God bless. Anne



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sun 7th Jan 6.30pm prayer & healing
Tues 9th Jan 7.45pm Home Group
Sat 13th Jan 12noon Safeguarding course
Tues 23rd Jan 7.45pm Home Group
Weds 24th Jan 7.30pm PCC Meeting
Sun 28th Jan SNPC service at St Benedict's
Sun Feb 4th 10.00am Confirmation service
Sun 4th Feb Evening Youth Service
Weds 14th Feb Ash Wednesday

Tues 20th Feb Lent course TRMC
Thurs 1st Mar Lent course St Benedict's
Sat 3rd Mar 9.30am Bishops Bible Day @NHS
Weds 7th March Lent course Sts F & T
Thurs 15th Mar Lent course TRMC
Weds 21st Mar Lent course Abbey centre
Sat12/ Sun 13th May Flower Festival



Our mission is to encourage the people of the parish to worship God in a loving, caring environment and help them to find faith and fulfilment in Jesus

Advance Notice - our next service of prayer and healing is on Sunday 7th January at 6.30pm